

HANKOW TAKEN FROM REBELS

THEY LOSE HEAVILY IN TWO DAY FIGHT.

TOWNS IN Sze-Chuen Also Recovered by
Peking Government—Gen. Yin Chang
Makes Good With Help From Warships—
Yuan's Powers—Russia Denies.

Special Cable Despatches to THE SUN.
SHANGHAI, Oct. 28.—The rebels have
received a big setback. The imperial
army recaptured Hankow to-day.

There was fighting all day Friday. The
Chinese imperialists were victorious and
the rebels fell back to Han-yang. To-day
the Government troops followed up their
success by capturing Hankow itself.

PEKIN, Oct. 28.—It is announced officially
this evening that the imperial troops have
again captured two towns in Sze-chuen
and that train service between Hankow
and Peking will be resumed on October 30.
China has arranged for a big loan,
but the amount is not mentioned. It
is believed that a Franco-Belgian syndicate
took over the proposition with interest
at 6 per cent. It is said that the bankers'
commission is 4 per cent.

It is reported that it has been decided
to execute Admiral Jui Cheng for desertion,
he having gone to Japan.

An official statement issued this evening
confirms previous reports of the recapture
of Hankow by the imperial troops. Hankow
was retaken after a severe fight. The
imperial troops captured many guns.
The casualties of the rebels numbered 400.

A correspondent who is with the army
of Gen. Yin Chang, the Minister of War,
who is alive and well, says the Chinese
warships in the river assisted in the opera-
tions of the land forces. The rebels
were forced from one position where they
were strongly entrenched near the Han-
kow racecourse. The imperial troops
advanced to within 500 yards before be-
ginning the attack. The rebels evacuated
the trenches and the imperial troops then
entered the native city. Their losses
were forty killed and 150 wounded. Among
the rebel casualties was the commander
of the artillery. The imperialists captured
thirty field and mountain guns.

BERLIN, Oct. 28.—Despatches received
here from Peking say that the imperial
troops have recaptured Hankow from the
rebels. It is said that the fighting lasted
all day yesterday and the losses of the
rebels were heavy.

The Peking despatches are not confirmed
as yet from other sources.

LONDON, Oct. 28.—The Times this
morning in a despatch from Peking points
out that Yuan Shih Kai's dictatorial
powers are unprecedented in the present
dynasty, except when Tseng Kuo Fan
was sent to suppress the Taiping rebel-
lion. Yuan Shih Kai dictated his own
terms, which include the forbidding of
the General Staff and War Ministry to
exercise any control in military matters.

TOKYO, Oct. 28.—The Specie Bank de-
clined to-day the request of the Chinese
Government for a loan of 5,000,000 yen
(about \$2,500,000). The Jiji warns the
Japanese banks not to grant any loan to
China except in concert with the financial
institutions of the other Powers.

ST. PETERSBURG, Oct. 28.—The charges
made in Germany that Russia encour-
aged the Chinese uprising are entirely
repudiated here, where it is realized that
the weakening of the Peking Government
would help Japan in south Manchuria
much more than it would Russia in the
northern section of that country.

The chief benefit which Russia hopes
to extract from the troubles of the Peking
Government is that the commission
which is now sitting in St. Petersburg
to frame a Russo-Chinese convention
will allow the Mongolian princes to make
treaties direct with Russia and not, as
Peking is striving to arrange, only through
the imperial Government at the Chinese
capital.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 28.—The Chinese
Legation has informed the State Depart-
ment that Yuan Shih Kai has been placed
in supreme command of the military
operations of the imperial troops.

Yuan Shih Kai is the Chinese leader who
has transformed the life of his people with-
in a decade. Almost omnipotent under the
late Dowager Empress, he was dis-
graced and driven into exile in 1909 by the
Prince Regent. He has already during the
last year been three times invited to re-
turn to power, and six weeks ago he was
offered the position of Premier of China.
Each offer he has declined.

In the early '90s Yuan, then a
young and powerful mandarin, was sent
as Chinese Resident to Germany. He wit-
nessed the defeat of China by the Japanese
in 1894, and returned home realizing that
old ways are useless against modern
organization and modern weapons of
precision. He started to reorganize the
Chinese army and, oddly enough, the
first real use to which his troops were
put was to bring about the downfall of
the young Emperor and his crude schemes
of reform and to establish the supremacy
of the late Dowager Empress.

Appointed Governor of Shantung, Yuan
proved his mettle when the Boxer
trouble came. He hanged or shot every
Boxer in his province, kept the peace,
protected foreigners and was for a time
hated by all his countrymen.

His wisdom was soon apparent and in
the reaction after Boxerism he became
supreme again. He was appointed Gov-
ernor of Pechili, the metropolitan province.
He took his soldiers with him, and by good
pay, draconic severity and personal
hard work in a few years had an army
of 60,000 well armed and well drilled men.
He rebuilt cities on Western lines, estab-
lished modern schools for boys and girls,
transformed prisons and promoted a free
press. Surrounding himself with a group
of able and ambitious young Cantonese
he brought prosperity to his province
and won the general confidence of Euro-
peans.

The friends of the young Emperor had
their revenge when the Dowager Empress
died. Yuan was deposed from power in a
day and would have been killed but for
the fear of foreign opinion. He retired
quietly to his home in Hunan province,
where he engaged in big farming schemes
and waited. If Yuan comes back to power
the revolutionaries may suffer more than
if they had lost a big battle.

THE ABLE YUAN SHIH KAI.

Major Leonard, U. S. M. C., Retired, Re-
calls the Chinese Dictator Well.

Major Henry Leonard, U. S. M. C.,
retired, who lost an arm at Tientsin and
was a captain in Peking, has seen a great
deal of Yuan Shih Kai, who, according to
the despatches, is now dictator in the
Chinese Empire. Major Leonard, who
served for several years as Military At-
tache to the American Legation at Peking,
has been trying since his retirement in
September several court-martial cases
and came to New York to take part in
one at the Brooklyn navy yard. He is
going to practise law in Washington.

Yuan's son used to come a great deal
to his quarters in Peking, said Major
Leonard yesterday. "He spoke English

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fluently, but his father did not speak the
language at all. For all that he seemed
to have a great liking for Americans,
and many of his adherents were men who
had been educated in the United States.
His is a very commanding personality,
and if he were in the midst of a crowd of
Chinese you would pick him out at once
as the ablest man in the lot. He is very
courageous, and when he was Governor
or Viceroy he would not hesitate to stamp
out disaffection even if it meant the death
of 10,000 people. That he is a man of great
sagacity and foresight was shown by the
way in which he obeyed the orders from
the throne in 1900 to march against Peking
and crush the foreigners who were cooped
up there in the legation quarter.

POINTED GUN AT POLICEMAN.
Stray Boy From Germany Achieved His
Desire for Official Care.

A young fellow of German appearance
drew up in front of Policeman Higgins
on Friday night at Canal and Hudson
streets and pulled out a revolver which
he held pointed at the policeman. He had
a staring look in his eyes, as though he
were lost. The policeman disarmed him
and asked him what he was doing with
the revolver.

He answered in German that he
couldn't speak English, so the two ad-
joined to a German restaurant opposite,
where the lad said that he had come here
from Vienna and had been in the coun-
try three days. He wanted the police-
man to take charge of him and send him
back.

READING DR. KNABE'S LETTERS.

Indianapolis Detectives Seek Further
Clues to Murder.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Oct. 28.—All of
the private and business correspondence of
Dr. Helen Knabe, who was found mur-
dered in the Delaware state Tuesday morn-
ing, was taken by the police to-day and
will be read with a view to discovering
if it gives any clue to the mystery.

The letters were found in separate com-
partments of Dr. Knabe's desk and were
arranged according to dates. The de-
tectives say that they are working upon
clues which it is not advisable to give out
and hope that something tangible will
come from them.

KAISER CORDIAL TO LEISHMAN

CHATS HALF AN HOUR WITH
NEW AMERICAN AMBASSADOR.

Presentation Marked by Unusual State
German on the Basis of a General
Election—Morocco, Bear Food
and Tax Issues—Comment on Steel Sulf.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

BERLIN, Oct. 28.—The Kaiser's recep-
tion of Mr. Leishman, the new American
Ambassador, last Tuesday was marked
by special features which were intended
as a special compliment. While the pro-
ceedings at the reception followed the
customary etiquette there was a depar-
ture in the length of the interview, which
lasted for half an hour instead of the usual
ten minutes. Three crown carriages car-
ried Mr. Leishman and his staff from the
embassy to the palace, with Count von
Boder, the introducer of Ambassadors,
acting as escort.

Count Knebeck and the sentries re-
ceived the party at the entrance to the
palace. Count von Eulenstein, the court
marshal, and Herr Kiderlen-Wachter, the
Foreign Secretary, welcomed them as
they reached the staircase. The Kaiser
was in splendid humor, which showed
itself after the formal proceedings by
his taking the Ambassador aside and talk-
ing to him with much animation.

The conversation was of course confi-
dential, but it is understood that the
Kaiser inquired after Mr. Jackson, who
was formerly secretary to the Berlin
Embassy and is now American Minister
at Bucharest.

When Second Secretary Spencer and
Private Secretary Whitehouse had been
presented the Kaiser led the party to the
Empress, with whom several minutes
were spent. Much interest was shown by
the street crowds in the procession as it
returned to the embassy.

The general elections for members of
the Reichstag have been fixed for January
12 and a vigorous campaign has already
been begun throughout Germany. The
main electoral issues are Morocco and the
foreign policy of the Government, dear
food, a demand for the revision of
the tariff, reform of taxation with the in-
troduction of an inheritance tax and the
popular cry for a curtailment of the power
of the Catholic Centre in the Reichstag.

The Government, abandoning its usual
policy of neutrality toward the parties,
has opened the campaign by calling upon
its district prefects to watch public
opinion and meet it with special articles
in the press.

The Chancellor's recent protectionist
speech on the dear food question is gen-
erally taken as a bid for Conservative and
Agrarian support. The opinion is almost
universal that the elections will result
in a great increase in the Socialist rep-
resentation of the north pole.

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Price	\$25.50	28.50	31.50	34.50	37.50	40.50	43.50	46.50	49.50	52.50	55.50	58.50	61.50	64.50	67.50	70.50	73.50	76.50	79.50	82.50	85.50	88.50

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Price	\$18.75	21.75	24.75	27.75	30.75	33.75	36.75	39.75	42.75	45.75	48.75	51.75	54.75	57.75	60.75	63.75	66.75	69.75	72.75	75.75	78.75	81.75

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Price	\$17.75	20.75	23.75	26.75	29.75	32.75	35.75	38.75	41.75	44.75	47.75	50.75	53.75	56.75	59.75	62.75	65.75	68.75	71.75	74.75	77.75	80.75

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CONVICTED OF SWINDLING.

Italian's Scheme of Getting Easy Money
From His Countrymen.

Salvatore Majorana, 29 years old, a
saloon keeper and real estate dealer of
310 East 108th street, Manhattan, who
is alleged to have made a business of taking
money from young Italians on a promise
of furnishing them with a certificate
of exemption from military duty when
they made visits to their former homes
in Italy, was convicted yesterday of
grand larceny in the second degree by a
jury before Judge Humphrey in the
Queens county court, Long Island City.

Majorana's indictment grew out of
taking \$50 from Antonio Cavallo with
the promise that he would send him a
certificate of military exemption. Ac-
cording to the testimony the transaction
took place in Mondanaro's saloon at 19
Marion street, Long Island City, on No-
vember 15 of last year. Not receiving
the certificate Cavallo went to the office
of the Italian consul-general in Man-
hattan, where he learned certificates
of that kind were never issued by the
Italian Government and that an attempt
to buy military exemption was a felony
under the Italian law.

It is charged that Majorana and several
others made a business of fleeing victims
wanting to visit Italy and at the same
time avoid military service. Dr. V.
Telitti and Dr. V. Manzini, Italian vice-
consuls, assisted in the prosecution. The
prisoner will be brought up for sentence
on Thursday.

\$30 BILL OR \$1?

Mrs. Bourke Got Change for a Five Only
and Has Bellboy Arrested.

Mrs. Charles Francis Bourke, who writes
sea stories, was the complainant in the
Yorkville police court yesterday against
Ernest Garren, a bellboy in the Hotel
Preston, in Fourth avenue near Twenty-
sixth street. She said she gave a \$50 bill
to the bellboy to pay a 15 cent order and
got back change for a \$5 bill only, the bel-
boy saying he would bring the rest later,
which he did not do.

Garren testified that it was a \$5 bill the
complainant had given him.
"Did you change the \$5 bill at the office?"
Magistrate Freschi asked.
"No, I made change out of my own
pocket," he responded.

The Magistrate wanted to know why
he left the guest's room to change the bill
with his own money. He said he heard
the elevator bell ringing and he went to
attend to the call. He was held for the
Grand Jury.

Borough President Steers's Guard Taken

Away.

Police Sergeant John Kessel, who has
been the police guardian of the Brooklyn
Mayors and Borough Presidents at the
City Hall and Borough Hall for eighteen
years, has been transferred to patrol
duty by Commissioner Waldo, much to
the surprise of Borough President Steers,
who had not been consulted over the
change. Mr. Steers said that Sergt. Kessel
was a most efficient officer and that he re-
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SAVANNAH, Oct. 28.—The Young Men's
Christian Association, which erected a
new building in 1908, has entered suit
against several persons because their sub-
scriptions to the building fund were not
paid.

The position of the association is that
it has borrowed money on the strength
of these subscriptions, relying upon the
honor of those making them to pay.

Suit was entered to-day against the
estate of the late J. H. Estill, former owner
of the Savannah Morning News, for a sub-
scription of \$500, which he made to the

fund before his death.

The petition recites that on April 21,
1905, Col. Estill made a subscription of
\$500 and that in the Morning News of
March 15, 1908, of which newspaper Col.
Estill was president, there was printed
an article calling attention to the merits
of the movement to erect an association
building and giving a list of subscribers,
among them being Col. Estill's subscrip-
tion of \$500. Subsequent to this, the peti-
tion relates, Col. Estill recognized the sub-
scription and agreed to pay the same,
but until the time of his death he omitted
to do so. Since his death it is declared
payment has been requested of the ex-
ecutor and executrix, but has been refused
on the ground that no sufficient proof of
the subscription has been offered.